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District Programs Information Bulletin

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TO: All District Administrative Coordinators

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All District Planning Council Members

All District Planning Oversight Committee Members

All District Response Task Force Commanders

All Emergency Management Directors

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Subject: District Response Task Force Mobilization and Deployment Training

Purpose

The purpose of this Information Bulletin is to announce the offering of the District Response Task Force (DRTF) Mobilization and Deployment Course.

General

The IDHS Field Services Division is conducting this training in every district. To date, Districts 1, 2, and 3 have received pilot offerings of this course and the feedback has been extremely positive. The intent of this course is to prepare DRTFs for their upcoming Table top exercise, drills, full scale deployment exercises and ultimately for deployment as a Mobile Support Unit.

Course Description

This two-day course teaches the students the process and fundamentals of District Response Task Force preparation, alert, notification, mobilization, convoy, integration of operations, and demobilization during a State activation. Also covered are Mobile Support Unit guidance, legal issues, and administration and logistics of District Response Task Forces.

This Informational Bulletin is intended to communicate guidance and clarification of District Programs. The information contained herein supersedes all previous information or guidance pertaining to the subject. This information is intended to help districts plan, prepare, take appropriate actions and collaborate. Any questions pertaining to this bulletin may be directed to the Field Services Division at 317-234-7228. To be added to the District Informational Bulletins distribution list, please send an email to fieldservices@dhs.in.gov.

Scheduling

This course will be offered one time to each district. Courses may be scheduled as late as March 30th, 2011. Districts should send their top three requested dates in priority order by September 30th to Randal Collins at Rcollins@dhs.in.gov.

Target Audience

The target audience for this course is:

- DRTF Commanders and Deputy Commanders
- DRTF All Hazard Incident Management Team Members
- DRTF Service and Support Personnel
- DRTF Element Leaders
- DPC Members or other District Stakeholders that have questions about DRTFs

Registration

Details and registration information will be posted at the IDHS Training Opportunities calendar found at https://oas.in.gov:4443/hs/training/public/calendar.do under Emergency Management once the workshops are scheduled. *Districts must have 10 students registered or the course will be cancelled.*

Follow-on DRTF Mobilization and Deployment Training Courses

IDHS will provide three more courses in regional settings between April and December of 2011.

Questions

Any questions pertaining to the DRTF Mobilization and Deployment Courses may be submitted to Randal Collins, District Programs Branch Director, Rcollins@dhs.in.gov, 317-238-1762.